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SUB: PEKING ISSUES "SERIOUS WARNING"

1. ACCORDING NCNA DOMESTIC SERVICE, PRC FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN ISSUED 473RD "SERIOUS WARNING" TO US MARCH 16, CHARGING THAT US WARSHIP INTRUDED INTO PRC TERRITORIAL WATERS ON THAT DATE "IN AREAS EAST OF CHIUNG HAI, HAINAN ISLAND".

ON 21 NOV. -- RF

2. NCNA'S NUMBERING OF "WARNING" SEEMS IN ERROR; LAST ONE OF WHICH WE ARE AWARE WAS NUMBER 471 ISSUED NOVEMBER 3, 1969. FOUR MONTHS THAT HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THEN IS LONGEST GAP BETWEEN "WARNINGS" IN AT LEAST FIVE YEARS.

MARTIN

Hong Kong Loses Count... [Info Retrieved from PAS Files]

U.S. WARSHIP INTRUDES, 472D WARNING ISSUED

Peking NCNA Domestic Service in Chinese 1551 GMT 21 Nov 69 B

[Text] Peking, 21 November--A U.S. warship intruded into China's territorial waters in the area east of Chiung hai County, Hainan Island, Kwangtung Province between 0534 and 0902 [Peking time] on 21 November.

A spokesman of the Chinese Foreign Ministry has been authorized, in regard to this military provocation by the U.S. warship, to issue the 472d serious warning.

DR
21 Nov 69